

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Examiner: Jessica L FRANTZ

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For: ELECTRO-HYDRAULIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on April 24, 2008:

REMARKS

An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTO-413) was attached with the PTO Communication dated April 25, 2008.

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: none
2. Identification of claims discussed: none
3. Identification of art discussed: Cametti et al., US Patent 2,887,062 and Sugino, US Patent 5,590,732.
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: See below

5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: Applicant's representative argued that the Sugino reference failed to teach the claimed frame; the Examiner indicated that her position was based on column 4, lines 10-17 of the reference. Applicant's representative argued that the Cametti reference teaches away from the claimed frame. The Examiner contended that the Cametti was not intended to be bodily incorporated. Applicant's representative and the Examiner also discussed a potentially allowable claim description describing the connection of the two housings via the use of the various clamp elements. However, the Examiner cautioned that such a description would need to be detailed and clear.

6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: none

7. Results of Interview: Agreement was not reached.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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